

**AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS**

**This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:**

**LISTING OF CLAIMS:**

1. through 14. (cancelled).

15. (previously presented): A welt for positioning between adjoining components, the welt comprising;

a welt core,

a decorative material substantially covering said welt core;

a welt flap protruding from within said welt core and having opposing ends; and

a first fastening element integrally formed with the welt flap at a free end of the welt flap and having an anchor-shape; and

a rod-shaped second fastening element, integrally formed with the welt flap in the area of the welt core end of the welt flap, protruding substantially perpendicular to the longitudinal direction of the welt flap at opposing peripheral ends of the welt flap;

wherein the decorative material is one of mesh fabric, synthetic or genuine leather, and a textile fabric; and

wherein the welt flap and the first and second fastening elements are made of a more rigid material than the welt core.

16. through 20. (cancelled).

21. (previously presented): A welt comprising:

a welt core;

a decorative material substantially covering said welt core;

a welt flap laterally protruding from within said welt core and having a first end within said welt core and a second end away from said welt core;

wherein the welt flap is made of a more rigid material than the welt core; and

wherein a recess is formed in the second end of the welt flap.

22. (canceled).

23. (previously presented): Welt according to claim 21, wherein the recess has an enlarged central portion.

24. through 37. (cancelled).